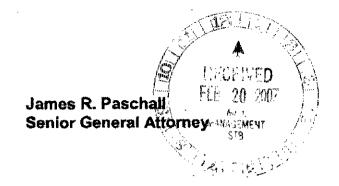


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Re: STB Docket No. AB-290 (Sub. No. 265X), Norfolk Southern Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption, Calhoun County, Alabama

Dear Mr. Williams:

Norfolk Southern Railway Company (NSR) consents to the Board's issuance of a 180-day extension of the trail use negotiation period that has been requested by the City of Anniston in a letter to the Board dated February 13, 2007.

NSR requests that the consummation date deadline be extended to 60 days after the expiration date of the extended trail use negotiation period.

Thank you for your assistance.

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Part of Public Record Yours very truly,

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